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October 4, 2006

VIA REGULAR MAIL

Olin Vance, D.O. 1834 East Lexington Avenue Gilbert, AZ 85234

RE:

Letter of Concern, Case No. 3671

Dear Dr. Vance,

At their meeting on September 16, 2006, the Arizona Board of Osteopathic Examiners in Medicine and Surgery ("Board") conducted a case review on the above-referenced complaint. Based on the information presented, the Board found there was insufficient evidence to conclude that your conduct constituted unprofessional conduct or to support direct action against your license. However, the Board voted to issue you this advisory LETTER OF CONCERN pursuant to the provisions of A.R.S. 32-1855 (D) (2). The Board was concerned that you may not have fully recognized that the patient was taking anticoagulant medication and should have ordered an INR which could ultimately lead to a violation of (6) and (38) which state:

"Engaging in the practice of medicine in a manner that harms or may harm a patient or that the board determines falls below the community standard."

"Any conduct or practice that impairs the licensee's ability to safely practice medicine or that may reasonably be expected to do so."

A Letter of Concern is a non-disciplinary action that remains part of the public record of your license for five years from the date of issuance (September 16, 2006). During those years it will be provided in response to requests for copies of your license file or verifications of license status, including being posted on the Board's website. It also may be cited in future actions against your license. Because it is not a disciplinary action, it is not reported to the National Practitioner Data Base or Health Care Integrity and Protection Databank. Based on the information presented, the Board found that there were no violations of state law or rule directly related to the complaint.

Respectfully,

Jack Confer
Executive Director

JC/s

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